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1. APPRECIATE PROMPT RESPONSE REFTEL. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE QUICKREACTION TO FOLLOWING DRAFT PARAGRAPHS FOR JULY 4 ADDRESS WHICH AMB WILL MAKE TOMORROW MORNING:

2. "THE UNITED STATES IS THE WORLD'S GREATEST PRODUCER OF FOOD. ANY NEW ACTION OUR GOVERNMENT TAKES IN THIS AREA, THEREFORE, HAS GLOBAL IMPACT. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES WE COULD HAVE SOUGHT TO KEEP THE PRICES ARTIFICIALLY HIGH BY TAKING NO ACTION TO INCREASE SUPPLY. INSTEAD, THE UNITED STATES RECOGNIZED A HIGHER MORAL OBLIGATION TO INCREASE SUPPLIES, AND TO BRING PRICES DOWN TO A REASONABLE LEVEL. AMERICA IS NOW PRODUCING FOOD AT A LEVEL THAT IS SETTING A NEW RECORD YIELD FROM OUR FARMS. ALL RESTRAINTS ON PRODUCTION HAVE BEEN REMOVED BY OUR GOVERNMENT TO MEET THE FOOD CRISES. WE RECOGNIZED A MORAL OBLIGATION TO ADOPT EMERGENCY MEASURES IN SITUATIONS SUCH AS THIS TO FEED THE HUNGRY

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3. "ACCORDINGLY, THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS THE PRO-

POSAL OF FAO SECRETARY GENERAL BOERMA FOR AN INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM OF NATIONAL STOCKPILES. WE ARE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH A SYSTEM, AND TO BUILD OUR OWN FOOD RESERVES, PROVIDED OTHERS ARE WILLING TO DO THE SAME.

4. "ONE PRINCIPAL TASK OF THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE NEXT NOVEMBER WILL BE TO EXAMINE THIS PROBLEM, AND TO RECOMMEND MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM MEASURES TO PREVENT THE FERTILIZER SHORTAGES IN THE FUTURE. WE RECOGNIZE, HOWEVER, THAT THE URGENCY OF THE FERTILIZER SHORTAGE ALSO REQUIRES SHORT-TERM ACTION, BEFORE NOVEMBER, WHEN THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE IS TO MEET. THEREFORE, I CAN ANNOUNCE WE INTEND TO INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY OUR BILATERAL ASSISTANCE FOR FOOD PRODUCTION BEGINNING THIS MONTH.

5. "UNITED STATES FERTILIZER PLANTS ARE OPERATING NEAR CAPACITY, IN ORDER TO MEET THE EXTRAORDINARY DEMAND CREATED BY GREATLY INCREASED FOOD PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES, AND ABOARD. ALTHOUGH THE UNITED STATES FERTILIZER INDUSTRY HAS TRADITIONALLY SERVED A PRIMARILY DOMESTIC MARKET, THE UNITED STATES WILL RESPOND TO THE URGENT NEED OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR INCREASED SUPPLIES.

6. "THE UNITED STATES HAS DONATED \$129 MILLION IN FOOD AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO THE SIX COUNTRIES OF THE SAHEL WHICH HAVE BEEN SUFFERING FROM THE DROUGHT FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS.

7. "OFFICIALS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF MY GOVERNMENT AT THIS VERY MOMENT ARE SHAPING A FOOD POLICY OF GLOBAL DIMENSIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED WITHIN WEEKS. MY GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES THAT, TO THOSE IN NEED, FOOD IS MORE VALUABLE THAN MONEY. MY GOVERNMENT IS FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT ONLY A GLOBAL FOOD POLICY HAS A CHANCE OF SUCCESS IN THIS INCREASINGLY INTERDEPENDENT WORLD". DALE

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